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#### NEWSLETTER OF THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

#### From the Commissioners



What interesting times we are living in right now. Watch the TV coverage and it could unravel you. This ANTHRX scare is an example: Did you know that 16-18000 people a year die from the flu: Just in the time it took to read this, several people have died in auto accidents around this nation! Are you afraid of the flu, or you afraid of a fatal traffic accident tonight? Get my point here?

A year ago I was visiting with an individual from another country. He commented to me that the world would come to the USA in the next decade.

He was talking about security or the lack of it. The change, I guess, has come since 9-11-01. Many of you have heard about the new mission of DPS. That expanded mission is the Homeland Security office headed by Captain Jeff Gravitt. I want to give you some information about this new office.

The mission statement is "to secure and protect the safety, health, well being and rights of all people in Utah from man-made threats against freedom, life, property and the environment". This mission is huge, making this happen will be very important to us all and to the citizens we serve. We will conduct investigations and intelligence operations. We will also coordinate with other government agencies with public information to the public and make recommendations for procedures in this effort.

WOW, sounds very bureaucratic but it's not.

We will all come through these troubled times smarter and stronger.

I watched the coverage on TV a few days ago concerning our military action. The coverage pictured a group of military individuals waiting for the return of their counter parts from a dangerous mission. The mission was delivering food and other supplies to Afghanistan. When their partners returned hugged each other. I was very moved by this. I felt very proud. What other country drops aid to those in need while trying to unravel a group of gangsters.

I love this country.

My point is this: Don't let what is happening in the world today put "terror" in your heart. To do so allows the cowards in the world like Osama bin Laden to win and bring their desires into your homes.

Robert L. Flowers Commissioner

## The Utah Department of Public Safety Reintroduces Quarterly Newsletter "CONTACT"

The Utah Department of Public Safety is pleased to announce the reintroduction of CONTACT, the quarterly newsletter of the department.

This newsletter will be a source of information for employees as well as local governments and the citizens of Utah.

CONTACT will be distributed to all DPS em-

ployees as well as mailed to a subscription list. To get on the list, please email your name, title and mailing address to: Sgt.Doug McCleve at dmccleve@dps.state.ut.us

#### **DPS Administration**

Contributed by Paula Kooring

The Administrative Services Division is comprised of the Human Resource Office, the Finan-Office (formerly known as Fiscal) and the recently re-acquired Fleet Services.

Re-The Human source Office has the responsibility for recruitment, hiring, reclassification issues, grievances, employee benefits and other issues that affect employees and job seekers. The Financial Office is responsible for accounts payable, accounts receivable, purchasing, revenue, grant management and issues that affect the financial status of the department.

As you may know, when the Division of Fleet Operations took over the fleet management of state agencies in 1999, DPS relinquished three FTE positions to DFO. Time and experience has shown us that the fleet issues at DPS are too varied and complex to be managed outside the department. After a meeting in September with DFO Administration, it was decided that DPS should take back one of the positions and hire a full-time person to manage the fleet and coordinate with

DFO. We were fortunate to be able to hire Jim Colby for that position. Jim was the state fleet manager for 15 months and worked closely with Public Safety during that time trying to iron out some of the problems encountered with the centralized fleet concept. His 15 months working the DFO side gave him the time and experience to learn Public Safety concerns and problems so he brings to his DPS assignment an

of both sides of

understanding Jim Colby, DPS Fleet Manager, stands next to the new 2002 Ford Police Interceptor, a complete prep package of equipment and

The Administrative Services Division would like to use part of this space in future newsletters to address questions or concerns you may have in our areas of service. We have suggestions for listing new hires, terminations. retirements. promotions, awards. etc. Please feel free to e-mail Paula Kooring at pkooring@dps.state. ut.us. We will try to answer any questions you may have.



wiring for the police

As Utah prepares to welcome the world next providing February, safety and security for competitors, visitors, local residents and businesses is a top priority. That is the job of the Utah Olympic Public Safety Command.

What is the Utah Olympic Public Safety Command? - In 1998 the Utah State Legislature created the Utah Olympic Public Safety Command, also known as UOPSC, as a unified command of local, state

## **Olympic Planning & UOPSC**

and federal public safety agencies involved The Olympic security. command has 20 members with Utah Public Commissioner Safety Robert L. Flowers as chair. UOPSC is not part of the Salt Lake Or-Committee ganizing (SLOC). However, a representative of SLOC is on the command and we work closely with the organizing committee.

What is the plan? The planning process began immediately when Salt Lake City awarded the bid in 1995. The best security planners, representing 50 different agencies, brought together to modify and enhance existing plans and procedures for the Olympics. In essence, agencies that would normally handle an incident will handle it during the Olympics. UOPSC will provide any additional resources agencies need to handle increased workloads due to the Olympics. Organizing Committee, and the federal government. In addition, some federal agencies are providing valuable equipment, staff and other assets in to assist in public safety functions from their own budgets.

Contributed by Tammy Palmer and Paula Ernstrom.



**CEM** 

Utah is better prepared to deal with an unlikely terrorist attack than most other states in the nation. While several states are expanding their training programs counter-terrorism, Utah has gone a step further. In 1999, Governor Michael Leavitt created the Utah Center for Domestic Preparedness (UCDP) by executive order. This designated the Division of Comprehensive Emergency Management to serve as the central coordinating office for domestic preparedness and implementation of weaponsof-mass-destruction (WMD) programs in the

state.

The UCDP rests on the border of Utah and Salt Lake counties, at the Utah National Guard's Camp Williams. It consists of two buildings and a communications tower. The north building houses the center's offices and a state-of-the-art training room. south building serves as an alternate state emergency operations center for CEM, with a training room and emergency operations offices.

The UCDP is divided into six program areas, including planning, training, equipment research and development, information sharing, and

public health and medical services. Special resources have been made available to Utah from the federal g o v e r n m e n t through the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Pro-

gram. These resources include more than \$50 million in funding, equipment and training resources to deal with the unlikely event of a chemical weapon incident at Deseret Chemical Depot in Tooele County. The center works to ensure federal and state preparedness efforts are in harmony, as well as to coordinate and integrate state



Alternate Emergency Operations Center at Utah Center for Domestic Preparedness.

and federal programs. UCDP is also the state's counterpart to the National Domestic Preparedness Office, an interagency body formed by the U.S. Justice Department to coordinate planning and communication efforts at the federal level.

Contributed by CEMNEWS Staff

## **Utah Homeland Security Taskforce**

The Utah Department of Public Safety by direction of Governor Michael O. Leavitt has formed a task force for a Homeland security system for the State of Utah in conjunction with the national program initiated by President Bush.

The Utah Homeland Security Taskforce was created to identify potential terrorist targets and threats. It will identify response capabilities of local and State agencies in case of an incident. The Taskforce will also identify resource needs of local agencies and facilitate solutions to needs. Part of the responsibilities will be to perform a "health check" on existing programs and make recommendations.

The Taskforce will identify areas of concern and develop plans to prevent incidents and recommend necessary measures to protect vital infrastructure and other important high risk areas. These areas include transportation (freeways, bridges, railroads, airlines and commuter flights), food and water (treatment plants, storage facilities, dams and waterways), chemical (transport and delivery, nuclear transport and storage and stockpile), public utilities (electricity, natural gas and oil), and shipping and delivery companies (interstate and intrastate commerce, postal service, rental agencies and delivery companies).

The Taskforce will be a part-

nership of all Government agencies to facilitate communication between emergency response personnel at all levels and provide public information and education for Utah citizens. It will be located out of the Center for Domestic Preparedness at Camp Williams under the office of Utah Comprehensive Emergency Management.

It is Important for people to know that their rights will not be violated. But some of the modern conveniences that we have been accustomed to may be affected, such as more check points, restricted access and increased identification.

Utah Homeland Security Task Force offices.



#### Schedule of Events

November 6-

Division Directors Meeting @ UHP Training

Promotional Ceremony @ POST gym

November 11-

Veteran's Day

November 22-

Thanksgiving

December 10-

Division Directors Meeting @ UHP Training

December 25

Christmas Day

December 21Police Corps
Graduation

December 31-

New Years Eve

• January 1-

New Years Day

January 21-

Human Rights Day

• February 8-

2002 Olympic Winter
Games Opening
Ceremonies

February 18-

Presidents Day

• February 24-

2002 Olympic Winter Games Closing Ceremonies

#### November 2001

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## January 2002

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## February 2002

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17	18 President's Day	19	20	21	22	23
24 Closing Ceremonies	25	26	27	28		

## **Highway Safety**

For years the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has helped states with assessments of occupant protection laws and programs; traffic records; and with impaired driving laws, countermeasures, and procedures.

In the past Utah has had assessments for traffic records and occupant protection.

During the first week in December, five out-of-

state experts from several fields will converge in Utah to make an assessment of Utah's impaired driving situation and provide suggestions. The experts will form a panel consisting of a judge, prosecutor, highway safety program representative, alcohol prevention/treatment specialist, and police official.

Representatives of various facets of laws, programs, and methods will begin the assessment meetings by describing



in detail what is going on in Utah. The panel of experts will then assess the information, provide a synopsis, and make written suggestions to the Utah representatives.

We look forward to getting a better perspective from this process. Maybe we will discover that even Utah with its "toughest, most effective laws and programs" can make some improvements as seen from outside.

Submitted by John Dame

#### Management

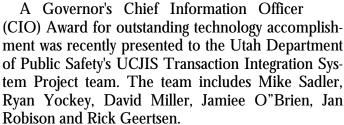
## **Management Information Systems**

**DPS MIS** 

(UCJIS) Transaction Integration System

Information Services staff members are doing an excellent job implementing technology in the Department of Public Safety. From September to December

of 2001 they will have installed over 150 computers at approximately 20 different UOPSC sites, and over 150 computers and 70 printers at 20 Driver License sites in the state. They have also set up computers at the newly created Homeland Security office. Many additional hours of work have been required from our technical staff and extra efforts will continue to be required for at least the next six months.



The Utah Criminal Justice Information System

provides criminal justice information to law enforcement agencies throughout the state. It also improves customer service by providing enhanced, timely, cost

effective information to Utah's state and local law enforcement agencies throughout the state. This improves officer safety and the safety of Utah's citizens and visitors.

MIS is now completing a project to take full advantage of the FBI's new National Crime Information Center called NCIC 2000. The system had not been significantly updated for over 18 years. The new system has many major enhancements including the ability to

handle graphics such as fingerprints and photographs of individuals as well as photos of scars, marks and tattoos.

The security of the criminal justice information maintained by Public Safety continues to be an extremely important responsibility of MIS and they continue to be diligent in this area.

Submitted by Roland Squire

#### Police Corps Values...Contributed by Cadet Kyle Dodge class 21-04

The values that Police Corps cadets strive to follow are: Honor, Courage, Commitment, Pride, Professionalism, Respect, and Teamwork. I believe that teamwork is the result of following and applying the first six values in a manner that strengthens the entire team.

During the eighth week in Police Corps training, we spent the entire week at the Emergency Vehicle Operation (EVO) training area. On the second afternoon we had an exam on the skills course. We were required to drive a course made up of cones, without hitting any cones and in a certain amount of time.

Also, we needed to remember to operate the car correctly

from the inside.

I remember thinking before my second attempt at the course that even though it was up to me to pass the course correctly, my actions affected the success of the team. My actions and attitude affected the attitudes and stress levels of other members of my team. It also affected the instructors and their respect toward us.

It is different to think that how I act as an individual can affect my team both positively and negatively.



Sgt. Alex Lepley instructs class 21-04 on shotgun use and tactics.

# Police Officer Standards and Training & Police Corps

By acting unprofessional, disrespectful, or dishonorable I decrease the image of my team, cause feelings of discontentment among the members and help to develop problems within my team.

We are doing great functioning as a team. To keep us at our best I think it is important for each member of the Police Corps class 21-04 to look at their actions and attitude and determine what they need to do to keep our team the best we can be. Because we have the potential to be the best and we can achieve our dreams.

#### Fire Marshal's Office

Life Safety Trailer Program. The Life Safety Trailer is a proactive injury-prevention experience targeted primarily towards kindergarten through six grade children, but includes people of all ages.

The Life Safety Trailers are a representative example of a typical home recreated to demonstrate common hazards. There is a kitchen, living room, bathroom and bedroom that the participants are escorted through, shown hazards, and given instruction in hazard prevention mitigation. The hazards addressed include burns. scalding, drowning, electrocution, fires, unsecured guns and poisoning.

The program is deliv-

ered through local fire departments using Life Safety Trailers provided by the State Fire Marshal's Office. This allows the local fire departments to provide a hands-on learning experience to their communities.

Smoke machines are in the trailers including thermostat-controlled heated doors allowing participants "experience" a home fire escape drill under simulated fire conditions. The trailers are ADA compatible to provide wheelchair-confined people an opportunity to experience the program. The trailers are provided with additional props, including VCR/TV's, costumes, handouts, animated mobile robots and other items to allow outside training activities. The Life Safety Trailers concept is innovative because the State Fire Marshal's Office provides the local fire departments, at no cost, a hands on teaching experience that can be used within their communities to accommodate a large number of people in a classroom type setting.

The Life Safety Trailers are designed to educate children with experiences so they identify hazards and make the right choices to avoid injury. The trailer program also teaches parents how to keep children from

Since the local departments provide the trailer program instruction, the learning experience is personalized to the participants. Departments are encouraged to use the trailers in cooperation with local EMS agencies, hospitals, enforcement, local Safe Kid Coalition chapters and other groups as part of a comprehensive safety presentation. This coalition has also been particularly successful at community fairs, celebrations and other community activities.

Contributed By Gary Wise



The State Fire Marshal's Life Safety Trailer

#### **DPS Pictures**



2002 Ford Police Interceptor PrepPackage comes equipped with preinstalled wire trays and wiring.

New DPS Police Helicopter





DPS Administration Receptionist Mary Spillman

## **Dignitary Protection**

I would like to thank all the sections that have graciously sent personnel to assist with our increased security needs. Without this team spirit we would not be able to meet our demands. The Troopers that have responded to help have all stepped up to the plate and enhanced the outstanding professional image we have created in our bureau. The service we provide to the state employees in our buildings is greatly appreciated by our customers. Your contributions to help us accomplish our mission are directly related to the positive environment we currently enjoy.

We have experienced many positive

changes in our bureau. This is made possible by our awesome leaders: Commissioners, Colonels, Major, and Captains. Our hats off to the administration for all they do for the Department of Public Safety.

The Horse Patrol has been huge in the public's eye. Very positive feedback. They have committed themselves to the cause and are doing an excellent job.

Our Bike Patrol has stepped up to the plate and taken it to the next level. You will see them more involved in future public events. They assisted in the freedom run that POST put on and did a fine job.

Our Executive detail

has been very busy and continues to do a fine job with their responsibilities. The uniform division has stepped up to the increased security demands and continue to provide a safe place to work and visit. The uniform and executive details have developed a team spirit that has been instrumental in the successes we have seen. They are working together and augmenting each others details to accomplish our common mission.

I would like to thank all those who have been selected to come to our bureau for the Olympics, both uniform and executive details. We are excited for this time and look forward to having a positive, once in a life time experience.

We will have several training days for both of these details between now and the Olympics, and appreciate your sections support in allowing your personnel to attend. These training dates are critical to our during the success Olympics. It is our goal to prepare the staff for the Olympics so we can continue to enjoy the professional reputation and safety that has been developed for the Department of Public Safety. We are looking forward to the continued effort to make a department wide team. If we can provide assistance in your areas, please let us know and we will assist in any way we can.

#### -Lt. Jim Keith

Communications have evolved since the days when the Utah Highway Patrol was created in 1928. Back then when an officer was needed, dispatchers tried to locate one by calling businesses that the officer was known to frequent and they, in turn, would raise a red flag or turn on a light as a signal for the officer to come in for a message.

If an ambulance or tow truck was needed at

an accident scene, the officer had to go to the nearest farmhouse to use a telephone to call for help.

Today, communications are much more sophisticated, with radios and computers in each patrol car and regional communication centers throughout the state equipped with computerized radios and telephone systems to meet challenges t h e of the new millennium.

#### **Communications**

Submitted by Kimberly Giles

The Utah Department of Public Safety employs civilians to manage communications centers lothroughout cated State. These centers operate 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Some centers perform dispatch functions for multiple agencies and are Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP's), monly known as the 911

system. Others perform these functions exclusively for State agencies.

Communications has just recently finished switching over to 800 MHz system wide and it is proving to very successful.



SL Communications center

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#### **Public Information**

Since the tragic events on September 11, the attention placed on Public Safety has been astronomical. It has been pushed to the front page of every newspaper in the country at one time or another. The media has shown an increased interest for anything related to safety. This is where the roles of the public information officer are put to the test. Especially with the Olympic Games quickly approaching.

The public information officers from the Department of Public Safety have been re-

sponding to local and national media on an increased basis. But it hasn't stopped there. The officers have also been responding to international inquiries from such countries as Japan, China and Germany. The topics range from terrorism, the Olympics, homeland security and chemical and biological threats.



Deputy Commissioner Col. Earl Morris at a press conference on the front steps of the State Capitol .

Our goal for the department is to help each division highlight, through the media and other forms, each of your accomplishments and successes. With the attention of all the media on Public Safety, we feel this is a great opportunity to get our messages out to the public in a positive way.

We will continue to work with each of you, to assist with your media contact needs and missions. This includes press releases, press conferences, interviews and inquiries. The public information role also includes any internal communication needs for the department and divisions, as well as any other help or advice we can give.

## **BCI & Criminal Investigations**

The Utah Missing Persons Clearinghouse assisted in the recovery of two children during the month of September.

The first incident was a child from Heber City. The child had been missing for five weeks and was located in Sacramento California with the father (parental abduction).



BCI became involved in the second incident when Colorado contacted the Utah Clearinghouse with a possible address of their missing child. BCI provided the information to Salt Lake P.D., they were able to apprehend the runaway.

Fingerprint Technicians were sent to BYU to fingerprint students enrolling in the education program. The first day there were over 110 students printed with each student receiving two 10-print cards. This was an all-time high for the fingerprint staff. In the three days, BCI processed over 320 students.

In comparing the seven Western Identifi-

cation Network (WIN) states, BCI's Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) staff continues to have the highest hit rate on latent fingerprints.

The Field Service staff conducted 14 training's to criminal justice agencies. The training's consisted of Officer In-Service and Web access. In all, 156 people were trained on the new Utah Criminal Justice Information System (UCJIS).

Two staff members were invited to attend and participate in the Prosecutors conference held in St. George. Criminal History and Expungements information were presented and discussed.

BCI was asked to participate and give recommendations in updating

the statue concerning Juvenile Expungements.

The Firearms section issued 451 concealed weapon permits, an increase of 115% over 2000.

Submitted by Kimberly Giles



**Above:** Internal Affairs – Polygraph examination.

Opposite: Digital fingerprinting

#### **Forensic Services**

Submitted by Kimberly Giles

The Forensic Services bureau has been busy in 2001 completing goals. Here is a sample of what has been accomplished so far:

Installed a functional UPS system for emergency preparedness and instrument protection.

Increased our security by separating ourselves from the rest of the building.

Doubled the number of genetic markers that we analyze on casework thereby increasing the rareness of all samples. Achieved department priority in establishing the possibility of Byrne grant funded expansion of the Southern laboratory.

They are still awaiting the AFIS equipment to be installed. The Questioned Document Examiner, Jacque Barrow, has successfully completed half her training program. They will achieve reaccreditation status during the month of Oct.

The Impression Evidence Lab has been expanded and completed

on Sept. 01. CODIS, Myriad Genetics has finished their database and they have been rigorously searching it.



Crime Lab – Supervising Criminalist Jennifer McNair places a microscopic paint fragment from a vehicular "hit and run" case on the Infrared Micro-

## State Bureau of Investigation

Submitted by Kimberly Giles

Special Investigations: Agt. Doug Miller assisted Internal Affairs with an investigation involving a Smithfield City police officer. They were successful in charging the officer with five felony counts of sexual misconduct.

Agent Miller also obtained four different warrants (meth lab, forgery and possession of heroin) on cases he investigated totaling \$40,000.00.

Agent Miller opened three new cases during the month involving, forgery, theft, embezzlement and fraud. He closed four cases and has two pending.

Forensic Computer Lab: Trooper Matthew Urban was appointed to Forensic Investigator in the Computer Forensic Lab to increase the number of investigators from two to three.

Narcotics Unit: The

following investigations and activities were performed:

Distribution cases-6, Pipeline cases-1, Intel cases-1, Lab Cases-3, AP&P assists-47, Precursor presentations-8 to 203 people, Cases referred to other agencies-4, Marijuana eradication

**Liquor Unit:** Initiated 76 new cases, 29 of these cases are still open.

Of the cases still open, 27 involve illegal importation though UPS. Conducted one covert underage buyer, (CUB), operation in which three establishments were charged with selling alcohol to a minor.

Conducted an undercover, serving to intoxicated persons (SIP) operation which showed a liquor licensee was in violation of this offense. This establishment will be referred to the DABC for administrative action against their license. The SIP operation also resulted in two DUI arrests. Currently investigating a very complicated "Tied House" investigation with General Distributing Deseret Peak-Complex.

Financial Crimes Unit: /the unit is investigating two notable cases where businesses/people are renting out properties for the Olympics. Both appear to be scams.

Criminal Interdiction Team: Three troopers were selected to be on the team, which now consists of nine members. Lt. Fred Swain has completed a three-year plan and a training program calendar for the team as well as UHP troopers. The team met for the first time as a group on October 9th at SBI.



SBI – Meth Lab clean up and decontamination.

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It's been a great summer for the Aero Bureau. With the addition of new helicopters, flight requests and flight time have both increased dramatically. The most recent flight request was out in Price assisting with the search for two murder suspects. The successful capture of both suspects after two and a half days of heavy searching culminated an extremely busy but satisfying summer.

Other memorable searches included a lost camper in the Mirror Lake area. The camper was located and picked up after four and a half days in the high Uintah's. Also after two and a half days in the desert, a lost camper in Goblin Valley was recovered. The camper, after rescue, just sat in the back of



Above: DPS Police Helicopter and DPS Police Airplane Below: Terry Mercer pilots the DPS Helicopter.



#### **Aero Bureau**

the Helo and with tears in his eyes just kept repeating, "I don't have to die today". It is moments like those that make the long, empty hours in the cockpit worthwhile: when the lost camper is reunited with his loved ones.

In between searches we have been busy with marijuana eradication efforts, taking raid photos, and also passenger transport around the state as well as out of state. We continue to look forward to meeting and flying with all of you in your business travel.

Submitted by Terry Mercer

#### **Driver License**

During October 2001, two new operational changes in how Driver License does business have been introduced. The first digitized driver license's were issued and Renewal by Internet went active.

The Utah Driver License Division, in cooperation with Polaroid ID Systems have introduced the new digitized driver license. This license will appear totally different to the customer in appearance and quality. In the new system, pictures will be taken with a digital camera and loaded into a database. The customer

will receive a printed receipt with

a picture, which is valid mail, will be able to renew for 6 months. their license via the Inter-

The information will be downloaded and e-mailed to Polaroid. The final product will be produced and mailed from the Polaroid factory in Minnesota. The customer should receive their new digitized driver license in 7-10 days.

The new digitized license will have many new security safeguards built into the design and style of the license. The digital photo database will be invaluable to law enforcement as well as Driver License in establishing positive identification during future contacts.

Renewal by Internet will allow customers who are "eligible" to renew their driver license by

their license via the Internet. To be "eligible" to renew by mail or Internet, the license must be valid with less than 4 tickets. withdrawals or other Driver License Division actions pending. Utah law allows a driver to renew by mail/Internet once every other cycle, or once every 10 years. DLD must also have the current address for the driver because DLD mail is not forwarded, so changes of addresses need to be done prior to the Renewal by Internet/mail can be completed.

Three months prior to the expiration date, Driver License Division will mail a Renewal by Mail/Internet reminder to the driver. On the form will be the Department of Public Safety's web site as well as the driver's personal identification number (PIN). The user friendly programs will allow driver's to renew their license from anywhere with no waiting in line. A reduced fee will be charged for drivers' who renew their license by mail or Inter-A normal renewal for an operator's license is \$20. Those drivers' who renew by mail or Internet, the cost is \$15. There will be no transaction fee charged to the customer.

It is hoped these two new technology improvements will provide better service to the customer and a move efficient way of doing business.

## **Highway Patrol**

Lt. Stan Bench and Sgt. John Kelley recently graduated from Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command. This is an eleven week intensive training course and as held in Boise, Idaho. Lt. Bench

was elected President of this session and was selected to receive the Leadership Award.

Many Utah Highway Patrol employees participated in the First Annual UHP/Red Cross Blood Drive. This was a timely effort since the blood given was sent to the East Coast after the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack.

Utah Highway Patrol Honorary Colonel Karl Malone was gracious enough to pose for a UHP recruiting poster and billboard. Most programs of the Utah Highway Patrol (field, motors, SERT, horse patrol, etc.) were represented in the photos.

The first stage of the "Arrive Alive on I-1-5" was

conducted in Salt Lake County during the week of September 10-15, 2001. Troopers and SBI Agents made over 2500 traffic stops during the week. Automobile crashes were down 25% from the previous week. While the operation was a logistical challenge, it was extremely successful.



Highway Patrol Troopers at the American Red Cross

The Utah Safety Council was founded in 1936 and in 1939, established as the Utah Traffic Safety Council. 1945, the scope of the Council's programming extended to non-traffic areas and by 1956, became a Chapter of the National Safety Council. Since then, the Utah Safety Council has continued to expand programs and services and provide the latest training, videos, safety materials and other resources to business, industry and the community. Currently, the Utah Safety Council has over 700 member organizations.

In the past year, the Utah Safety Council held over 1,464 separate training courses, reaching a total of 19,343 individuals. Occupational training attracted 4,600 attendees to specialized seminars and defensive driving courses were provided to 14,434 individuals.

Through assistance from the Utah Labor Commission, the Utah Safety Council was awarded a \$50,000 grant for a "Safety Training Scholarship Program." The program targeted safety professionals and focused on building skills and knowledge to take back to their workplaces.

Overall, 152 scholarships were awarded to 106 Utah companies. Scholarships consisted of a 50% tuition waiver and were applied to courses in occupational safety.

In September 2000, the Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration, through the Utah Labor Commission, awarded the Utah Safety Council a training grant for training, required of miners engaged in or employed at sand and gravel operations. During July 2001, the grant was increased from \$18,000 to \$39,000 and the Utah Safety council was approved to instruct 30 CFR Part 48 which pertains to surface mining.

## **Utah Safety Council**

Submitted by Rebecca Decker

As a result, free training is offered to nearly all sand, gravel, and surface mines throughout Utah.

The Utah Safety Council, through alliances with other organizations sponsored numerous community service activities. Efforts associated with both traffic and home safety reached significant portions of Utah's citizenry.

Membership with the Utah Safety Council totaled 709 members as of June 30, 2001. As part of the efforts to attract greater participation on the part of Utah employers, membership materials have been completely revised to focus on value. The Utah Safety Council's website has been given a new look. Within the next three months, the website will be customer friendly to accommodate on-line course registration and fee payment.



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#### Featured Website: www.cem.state.ut.us

With the recent interest in terrorism and preparedness by the national and local media, the website at Comprehensive Emergency Management has gone through a few changes to offer the information requested. Downloadable brochures and pamphlets are available, informative points on how to prepare in many situations are now commonplace at the site.

Drop by the website to get the most up-to-date information on preparation and what you can do to minimize risks to you, your family and your office setting.

Look for this section to highlight a different website each issue. And don't forget to visit the Department of Public Safety website at www.dps.state.ut.us. It has gone through a major change and now offers a new look.



What You Can Do To Prepare

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